

Questions Posed for Study

Question: Is there a problem with multiple anointings for a single sickness?

Multiple Anointings

(James 5:12 - 16)

Intro: This portion of Scripture is one that often times gets taken out of context, often times gets abused by misapplication. More harm has been done to an individual's faith as a result. We are going to look at this Scripture as it will be a some-what short lesson.

I. There are several places in Scripture where anointing is mentioned.

- A. **Exodus 29:1 & 2** – We see that even _____ items that were to be used in offerings were anointed with oil. This signified that whether animals or food such as mentioned in this verse, were to become _____ as being dedicated to the LORD.
- B. People, as in kings and priests were also anointed to show that they had been _____ by God to serve Him.
 1. Moses anointed _____ and his sons for the office of priest – **Exodus 30:30.**
 2. Samuel anoints _____ as the first king of Israel – **I Samuel 10:1.**
 3. Samuel anointed _____ – **I Samuel 16:13.**
 4. There are a number of other anointings throughout the Scriptures as well.
- C. _____ people were anointed signifying their _____ in God to heal - **James 5:13 – 16.**

Note,

1. The particulars in **verse 14,**
 - a. It is the sick who is to call – “sick”, “call”.
 - b. The ministry – “pray over” & “anointing”. More on this in a minute or so.
2. The particulars of **verse 15,**
 - a. “Prayer of faith shall save the sick.” More on this as well in a minute.
 - b. This faith is primarily the faith of the one sick.
3. The particulars of **verse 16,**
 - a. “Confess your faults one to another and pray one for another.” (**Mark 9:24**)
 - b. “the effectual, fervent prayer” – the ability to affect change.
 - c. “a righteous man” – One who's life is conformed to God.
 - d. “avaleth much” – not the oil, but the righteous man's prayer.

II. The key ingredients.

- A. We do not _____ and suggest or go with the purpose to anoint with oil,
1. The healing properties of the oil was an _____ practice as a sign gift.
 2. This practice with in the local church appears to have _____ when gifts ceased.
 3. The Catholic church keeps it revived along with the Holiness & Charismatic movement
 4. It is a miss-guided _____ for today and the reason lies in verse 16.
 5. To take upon one's self to anoint a person who is in a comma or a baby is _____.
- B. When it was done, it was done through the _____,
1. The sick would call for the _____ or _____.
 2. It was according to the sick person's _____ coupled with the "righteous man".
 3. It was the power of _____ that would bring about the healing.
 4. God's will in this is another layer, and the anointing purpose is not to _____ God against His _____ so our will prevails.
- C. It appears that it was to be a onetime anointing.
1. Though prayer is never _____ until God manifests His answer.
 - a. The Apostle Paul sought divine intervention three times.
 - b. God's answer – "My grace is sufficient" - **II Corinthians 12:4 – 10.**
 2. Multiple anointings would in and of itself suggest an absence of _____
– **Rom. 14:23b.**